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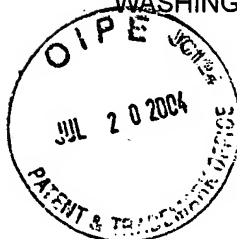
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) (see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1)). See Figure(s) 4.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

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In re application of :  
Naoyuki KATOU et al. : **Confirmation No. 2112**  
Serial No. 10/821,942 : **Mail Stop: MISSING PARTS**  
Filed April 12, 2004 : **Attorney Docket No. 2004\_0546A**  
ACOUSTIC SIGNAL-PROCESSING  
APPARATUS AND METHOD :

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Sir:

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Late filing of executed Declaration ..... \$130.00

A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

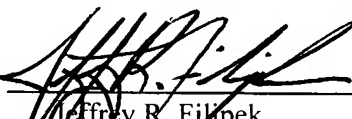
*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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**REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 23, 2004, submitted herewith is the required Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Also enclosed are the PTO surcharge of \$130.00, required by 37 CFR 1.16(e), and a copy of the Notice.

As required by the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 23, 2004, 1 sheet of formal (A4) drawings (Figs. 4) is submitted herewith.

Please note that the portion of text of Fig. 4 that was previously written in Japanese has been replaced with text written in the English language.

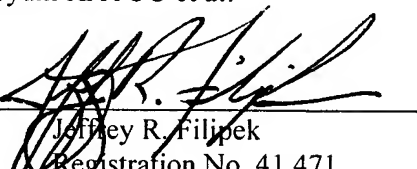
Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

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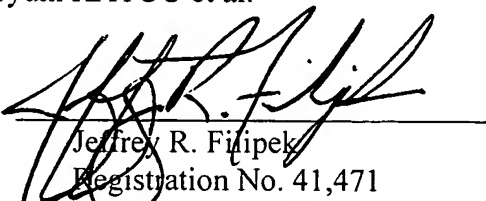
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